



Commonwealth of Massachusetts
**DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING &
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

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DHCD Section 8 Administrative Plan Amendment: 2003-03

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Purpose: To clarify that an RAA may deny owner participation if the owner or agent has engaged in or threatened abusive or violent behavior toward RAA personnel.

In Section 2.2, Owner Responsibility– add the following:

“In addition, an owner must not threaten the health or safety of, or otherwise abuse RAA employees. RAAs must keep accurate records of interactions with owners. In instances where there is a documented history of threats or abuse to RAA employees, the RAA can seek DHCD approval to terminate the HAP contract.

If an owner threatens the life of an RAA employee, the RAA can immediately terminate the HAP contract.

When HAP contracts are terminated under these circumstances, HCVP participants must be issued vouchers and allowed to move.”